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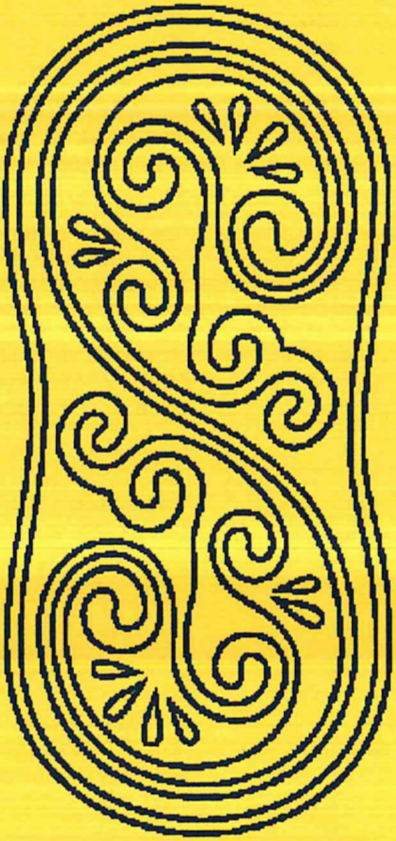

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Activities Calendar for November 2000						
Monday	**Tuesday**	**Wednesday**	**Thursday**	**Friday**	**Saturday**	**Sunday**
		1	2	3	4	5
		Fighter Practice, Calligraphy Class	Dance Practice	Amber's Vigil	Caerthen A&S	Cook's Guild
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Lampworker's Guild, Calligraphy Class	Fighter Practice,	Dance Practice		Coronation	Coronation
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Milliners/Costumers Guild	Lampworker's Guild, Drumming	Fighter Practice, A&S Consulting Night, Calligraphy Class	Dance Practice	Eat, Drink, and be Merry Revel, Roundtable, Caer Galen Revel		Heraldry Meeting, Toys for Tots
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Milliners/Costumers Guild	Lampworker's Guild, Newcomer's Meeting, Calligraphy Class	Fighter practice, Cardweaving Class	Dance Practice		Court of Love II	Jeweler's Guild, Super Basic Sewing Open House
27	28	29	30			
Business Meeting	Lampworker's Guild, Drumming	Fighter practice	Dance Practice			

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From the Baron

Unto the gracious barony of Caerthe, I send greetings and well wishes.

This and the coming month bring us may wondrous things. As the soon-to-be Mistress Amber is set on her new path she will learn may new and wondrous things and this barony will gain great things from her talents.

Warriors and artisans of Caerthe, sharpen your swords and hone your skills as Estrella is coming upon us all once again. Our king and prince have again called us to arm and prepare for war. Let us go forth and show once again how strong and mighty we are, as we have in years past.

As a reminder, we all need to preregister for this war. Lady Diana of the Tulips and Lady Nynaeve have offered their time and services to this barony to ensure that we may have a place to rest our heads once we all have arrived in that faraway place. Doing this will also help our barony and kingdom in future years.

This month we will seek out our new Arts and Sciences Champion, and at this time I would like to take a moment in order thank my outgoing Champion, THL Gwen Catrin von Berlin.

We have had several classes at recent fighter practices, and I have heard good things about many gentles who have been learning other talents while the fighters have been out improving their own skills.

For those who traveled across this kingdom to attend the Outlands' past kingdom A&S Competition, I hope that all finds you well upon your your return. I know that every entry was well shown, and, as I hear of our barony's attendance, that you have done us proud.

Our king has called us to arms. This kingdom has begun to prepare for war. Yet, as the war practices have begun, let us not forget of the artisans that present themselves and their fine work every year at the Estrella War. This barony has proven time and again that we have a great history when it come to the Arts and Sciences. Let us go once more, and show that we are a force not to be outdone by anyone.

In service, Sir Maelgwn McCain, Baron of Caerthe

From the Seneschal

Unto the Populace of the fair Barony of Caerthe come greetings,

The fall season is rapidly giving way to the holiday season, and I for one, wonder where the heck the time has gone! I hope this missive finds you all well and hopefully, not quite as busy as I am!

A quick reminder for members of the Order of the Gilded Leaf: If this arrives before the 30th of October-DON"T FORGET the Gilded Leaf meeting that will proceed populace meeting that evening!

I would like to congratulate all the winners and other brave souls who ventured south to participate in and attend Kingdom A&S. I know that Lady Guernin is the new champion, but I don't have the specific names of the category winners in front of me, though I do know that Caerthe was well represented and I thank you all for your efforts and applaud your fine showing!

Closer to home, I'd like to thank all the folks who ran/helped out with the Fortress Benefit revel. I enjoyed the event, took home some nice stuff and got to experiment with some new recipes for the potluck. It was a great show of support for our local newsletter, there was lots of neat stuff that went home with new owners and I'm not even pouting because Grellan won the cool movie poster and I didn't! :)

I'm hoping that you will all continue to support local events and come out in force for the two we have coming up in November. Toys for Tots is a cause well worth the effort as well as being a fine tourney and generally fun event. Let get out there and bring in those toys! Later in the month, we can refine our courtly graces at the Court of Love. It's a holiday weekend, so bring your friends and family if you like. The fighting and dancing will help you work off all that turkey!

Overall, it looks to be a busy and fun holiday season! I look forward to seeing you at these fine events in our fair Barony.

In Service,

Meg

Barony of Caerthe Treasurer's Report
Society for Creative Anachronism Inc.

Balance Forward	**July 31, 2000**	
	Checking Account	**$5,913.39**
	Savings Account	**$1,635.52**
	Total	**$7,548.91**
Income:		
	Highland Games	$847.00
TOTAL INCOME		**$847.00**
Expenses:		
	Storage Locker	$345.00
	Directories	$127.70
	Highland Games Prizes	$224.09
	Highland Games Supplies	$21.37
	Highland Games Food	$221.42
	Fields of Gold Food	$466.87
	Chirurgeon's supplies	$52.38
	T-shirts for Fields of Gold	$591.00
	12th Night Site Deposit	$300.00
	Costume Collegium	$131.31
TOTAL EXPENSES		**$2,481.14**
Ending Balance:	**August 31, 2000**	
	Checking account	**$4.279.25**
	Savings account	**$1,635.52**
	Total	**$5,914.77**

Allocated funds:			
Archers	10.56	Scribes	414.15
Armorers	43.32	College	260.43
Fencers	68.86	Cooks Guild	530.42
Fighters	243.23	Heralds	11.00
Regalia	362.82	Hospitallers	35.00
Children's Fund	10.00		
Lampworkers	121.40	Balance for Guilds	$2,111.19

Net Balance for Barony of Caerthe: **$3,803.58**

From the Chronicler

Greetings to the populace. First off, I am once again hoping that the brutal work schedule that I have been observing through most of the year will be calming down now. This should help to prevent such things as using old templates and accidentally deleting information that should not be deleted! Thank you all again for your patience with me through this difficult period. Also, I should now have more time to devote to the webpage. In addition to listing the events for the month, I hope to have the webpage current with the event listings in the Fortress.

Also, I am thrilled to announce that we made over a a thousand dollars for the Fortress! Huzza! Thank you all so much for your support. I especially want to thank THL Roland for being my emcee and organizing the movie poster raffle, THL Taryn, Katrein, Lady Gwenhevare, Lady Killian, THL Orlafthia, Lady Cecilia, His Excellency Tule, Lord Gerald, Beau, Lady Keturah, and many many others too numerous to mention for helping the shell-shocked autocrat to bring off another successful Fortress Benefit Revel! The Fortress should be in fine shape for another year.

In service, Maire

From the Minister of Arts and Sciences

Congratulations to the THL Amber on her offer of admittance to the Order of the Laurel. Her ceremony is to be at the Caerthen A&S on November 4th. Congratualtions to the following Caerthens on their recent triumphs at Kingdom A&S - Grand Champion: Lady Guernen, Fiber Arts Champion: THL Maredudd, Performance and Written Arts Champion: Lady Serian

Due to personal obligations I did not hold a Guild of the Month in October. November will feature two open houses. The first will be Lampworker's on the 14th (a repeat due to some tricky contuction detours) and the second will be Sewing workshop on the 26th. The December open house will be Cook's Guild.

November's hands on class will be cardweaving by Lord Feilan on November 22nd at Fighter Practice. The consultant night will be November 15th. December will be herbal ideology.

If you are interested in teaching hands on classes or have an idea for either the hands on class or consultant night, please contact me.

There is to be a round table discussion at Fighter Practice on December 6th. The purpose of which is to discuss the upcoming A&S year and the possibilities of changes to the A&S competition format in Caerthe

Thank you. Gabrielle Cartier

From the Office of the Hospitaller

Winter is creeping closer. As we move inside don't forget to keep an eye out for our newcomers. Since we aren't as public in the winter as we are in the summer it makes it even more important to keep track of our newcomers.

Here are a few thoughts to help us remember to help our newcomers.

Make a friend. If you see someone at an event that you don't know, introduce yourself. Look around and see if someone looks as if they are lost. Being at an event or a practice for the first time can be intimidating. As we all remember, the SCA can be a difficult group to break into. So keep an eye out and help out a newcomer!

If you are planning an event, please make sure your directions are as clear as possible. Even though most of us know those sites we use all the time, we have a lot of people who have never been to these before.

Open your table at feasts. Open a few spots if you can and have dinner with a newcomer and their family. Learning by example is a great tool for newcomers, but it is really difficult if all our newcomers are sitting in the corner of the hall by themselves.

Newcomers are our link to the future. They will be our future officers, artisans, autocrats, cooks and even royalty. Take a moment to share a bit of The Dream with a newcomer. It will benefit us all.

Eat, Drink, and Be Merry Revel

Join newcomers and members alike on this Friday the 17th for a potluck dinner at the home of one of our members. Bring a dish to share. 'Period' clothing preferred, but come anyway if you are just getting started in the SCA. We'll spend some time enjoying the fine food and then we'll socialize for the remainder of the evening. We'll get started about 7pm. If you need loaner clothing for the revel call the Gold Key deputy - Maredudd (720) 744-9614.

We'll meet the home of Barbara Drumm-Brower. Her house in on the Northeast corner of 47th and High. Normally the best route is to take I-70 to the Brighton exit, but that exit has been closed through October (perhaps November as well).

From East bound I-70 you can take the York exit. At the bottom of the ramp take a left and head north on Josephine. At 47th you can turn left (west) across York. This intersection is a weird little jog so keep a sharp eye out. Continue West on 47th until you reach 16th street.

If you are coming from West bound I-70 I would highly recommend giving Barbara a call. As this is her neighborhood she'll probably have better directions than I can give. For directions or more information call Barbara (303)296-7673 or me (Robert) (720) 744-9614 (e-mail coyote@dimensional.com).

Newcomer's Meeting

This is our basic introduction to the SCA. Come learn about what we do. Meet us in casual dress at the Englewood Public Library where we'll talk about the SCA, how to get involved and have a topic for the evening.

We'll meet on November 21st (Tuesday) at the Englewood Public Library. It is located on the lower level of the new Englewood Civic Center.

The Civic Center is one block East of Santa Fe on Hampden From Hampden, Turn North at S. Inca Street. Follow signs to the parking lot. User the LOWER level parking.

The Library is on the lower level. Meet us in the Perrin conference room (the Northeast corner of the Library). The meeting runs from 7-9pm. For more information call or e-mail Robert (720) 744-9614 -coyote@dimensional.com

From the Aspen Pursuivant

Greetings!

The heraldic consultation and commenting meetings are scheduled as follows:

Nov. 19, 5:30pm
Dec. 10, 5:30pm (tentative)
No January meeting

Meetings are held at 16620 E. Kentucky Ave., Aurora For more information or directions, call or e-mail me. If you would like to work on a submission, comment on submissions presented by Rampart Herald, or just learn more about heraldry, please join us. Book heralds, please come and lend your expertise.

I have a drop-dead deputy!! Katrein die Adlerin has graciously offered to fill that post, and is rapidly learning the ropes of heraldry. Many thanks to Lady Kseniya for all her hard work and for staying on while I got settled.

I am still collecting names for field or court heralds to maintain a list of those who may be available to serve when the need arises.

Heraldry note for the month: "Slot-machine" heraldry is a device that has three different charges on the same level. For instance, a sword, a falcon, and a hammer all on on a plain field. It is so called because this is the pattern most often seen on a slot machine (to many gentles' dismay!). Slot-machine heraldry is unregisterable because it is hard to identify that many different charges on a single level. It is much easier to see three swords or three falcons, because the eye follows the lines better.

In service,
Ly. Sorcha
Aspen Pursuivant

From the Scottish Gaming Marshal

Greetings one and all. I hope the year thus far has been good for you. Scottish gaming this year has been wonderful but alas it has come to an end for the year. We will, I hope, use the winter months to do a bit of exercising to better ourselves for next year. We will start again around daylight savings time in the spring. If you have any questions please call at 303-940-0104 or email me at IvanCampbell7@aol.com. This is a new email address.

In service,
Ivan

Travelling Scribe
Lady Killian MacKenzie
Kingdom Deputy of Education

Classes continue at the Canton of Hawk's Hollow and at fighter practice. All levels are welcome. I have equipment for those who just want to try the art.

Canton of Hawk's Hollow:
Dates: November 7th and 21st (Tues.), December 5th and 19th (Tues.)
Time: 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Place: The Friendly Village of the Rockies Clubhouse. Take best route to I-25 and Thornton Parkway (92nd Ave.) Go west on Thornton Parkway, then north on Pecos, then west on 100th Ave. Take your first left (Elbert) and you will see the clubhouse in front of you.

Fighter practice site: Calligraphy will continue at this site the lst and 3rd Wednesdays of each month. See directions on the back page.

If you are interested in any of the classes or have art related questions, please call Lady Killian MacKenzie at 303-773-9596.

Caerthen Lampworkers Guild

Guild Meeting:
The Guild is meeting on **Tuesday** evenings, time 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. at a new location: 4500 S. Monaco St., garage #2307. See below for directions.
For more information, contact THL Jorunn: 303-796-8353.
Directions: Take your best route to I-25 and Belleview. Exit West on Bellview.Take a right at the first light past the golf course. This turns into S. Monaco. Take a right into the entrance of Cierra Crest Apartments. Take your first left go to little green stop sign and take a right. Building 10 is the second building on the left. Park at the far end between building 10 and 9. The garage is #2307 and is located between buildings 10 and 9 on the side of building 10. If the door is closed please knock just in case I'm inside.

THLady Jorunn nic Lochlainn
Guild Steward

Dance Practice

Dance practice takes place at Ross-University Hills Library or Park Hill Branch Library every Thursday. Please call THL Arwen at 303-756-7040, or e-mail arwen@caerthe.org for the exact monthly schedule.

All dance practices run from 7:00 - 9:00 pm. The Ross-University Hills Branch Library is located at 4310 E. Amherst Ave. (1 blk. south of Yale, 1.5 blks. east of Colorado Blvd.). The Park Hill Branch Library is at 4705 Montview, approximately 7 blks. east of Colorado Blvd.

University of Caerthe

Because of the mundane holiday of Thanksgiving there will be no University in November. Instead we will next meet on the second Wednesday of December to hear Lord Theopompus speak to us on the religion and myths of the Ancient Greeks.

We will meet at 7:30 P.M., December 13, the second Wednesday of the month, at Salamander Manor, the home of Mistress Bernice of Brittany - 3495 Newland Street, WheatRidge. All are encouraged to attend. Period garb is optional, but appreciated. For further information, call Mistress Bernice, 303-233-9558, or Master Robin Vinehall, 303-444-5004. If you live in Unser Hafen, you can call Lord Theopompus at 970-221-3558.

Cook's Guild

In November, the Caerthen Cooks' Guild will meet SUNDAY EVENING, November 5, for a visit to the Bombay Clay Oven at 5:00 pm. If you would like to enjoy good Indian food and good company, please join us (NOT in garb). We will meet at my home at 4:30 pm, 910 Milwaukee Street.

There is a limit of 10 people, so please call me early to make your reservation, at (303) 322-1907.

Milliner's/Costuming Guild

Classes will continue to be on the 2nd and 3rd Monday nights of each month.

Dates for November are the 13th and the 20th.

Time: 7 to 9 p.m.

Directions: Take your best route to 120th and Sheridan. Turn north on Sheridan, left on 12th. This is a short street with a stop sign. Turn right at this corner (12th and Inverness). Turn left at the very next street (12th again.) Then turn left into Dover Way. the address is 1151 Dover Way.

Any questions, call Mistress Beatricia at 303-460-8189 (no calls after 9 p.m.) or Killian MacKenzie at 303-773-9596.

Metalsmithing

Interests in Art

It has been declared that those of noble nature shall not only watch over and encourage the art's and sciences but that we shall share in our knowledge. I am a metal smith that is offering free demonstrations and round table discussions on a variety of topics and techniques. While I am open to the hopes of those who show up some of the topics I would like to consider for the next month are:

**Week 1 The old paradigm as evidenced by the heliocentric shift and how this related to artistic representation

**Week 2 How did they make that pretty piece of jewelry at the renn faire

**Week 3 Plato's attitudes to artist and how this may effect our view and personage as artists

**Week 4 Soft Wax Working for sculpture

The studio is located near the old Stapleton Airport and I can be reached by calling (303) 394-3877 please call to determine our topics and schedule or set up a time to come by for consultations. I am not always home but I do return messages. Thank you very much for your consideration, long live the dream, Lord Tiberious.

A&S Open House

This month there shall be two open houses. The first is Lampworker's on November 14th 7:00pm until 9:00 PM at 4500 South Monaco garage #2307. Directions to the Event: exit I25 at Belleview go west, take a right at the first light past the golf course. This turns into S. Monaco. Take a right into the entrance of the Cierra Crest Apartments. Take you first left go the little green stop sign and take a right. Building 10 is the second building on the left. Park at the far end between building 10 and 9. Garage number is 2307 and is located between buildings 10 and 9 on the side of building.

The 2nd workshop will be sewing on Nov. 26 at the home of THL Wyndylyn. Take your best route to Chambers and Hampden. Go east on Hampden 2 blocks. Turn right (south) on Kalispell until it stops at East Lehigh Circle (about 4 blocks). Turn right (west) and follow the circle counterclockwise one quarter circle (south). The house is grey with white and blue trim and a black carriage lamp at the foot of the driveway. The address is 15912 East Lehigh Circle. Bring something to work on. It begins at 1 PM.

Refreshments, a door prize, knowledge and information will be provided for your enjoyment. Please join us for this opportunity to share in the Arts and Sciences. The open house for December will be Cook's Guild.

Thank you,
THL Gabrielle Cartier
Minister Arts & Sciences of Caerthe

"The Dreamer's Travels" Roundtable

Hark, draw nigh and listen! A bard of magnificent words and wisdom has inspired us to gather at the great roundtable and share our thoughts on his words. A missive titled The Dreamer's Travels. We ask all travelers, whether they be new to this journey or well seasoned, to join us as we discuss our travels in this journey we call "The Dream". To read of his words before you participate, please visit this site on your Wizards Box: http://members.tripod.com/~whitebardchpter1.htm. I will have copies to read from and share at the site as well.

Our Roundtable is housed at the Friendly Village of the Rockies Clubhouse, please see directions in the back of the Fortress on the Canton's information page.

The date is Friday evening of November 17th at 6:30 pm. Garb would be greatly appreciated and feel free to bring a small snack to share. Warm beverages will be provided.

For more information contact Lady Stasia at 303-940-0104 / 303-902-6887/ FlamingdogInn@aol.com.

Vigil for The Honorable Lady Denise of Amberley (known as Amber)

At Crown Tournament, Their Royal Majesties asked THL Amber to contemplate admittance to the Ancient and Honorable Order of the Laurel. Amber will give her answer at Caerthe's Art's and Sciences on Saturday, November 4th. All are welcome to come and offer their words to Amber as she sits vigil the evening of November 3rd at the home of Sir Maelgwn McCain, from 7:00PM until midnight. Amber will also hold a short vigil during the event.

Directions to Sir Maelgwn's: 5387 S. Foresthill St., Littleton, CO. Take your best route to W. Littleton Blvd. Foresthill St. is between S. Broadway and S. Sante Fe, when you reach Foresthill St. turn north and go approximately 4 blocks, it will be on the NW corner of S.Foresthill St. and W. Crestline Ave.

Barony of Caerthe Visual & Fiber Arts & Culinary and Performing Arts Competion/Accessories Collegium

Barony of Caerthe, November 4, AS XXXV (2000 Site Opens at 9:00a • Site Closes at 10:00p Berkeley Community Church • 3701 West 50th Avenue • Denver, CO 80221 Fees: Site – $5.00; Feast – $5.00 Make checks payable to "SCA - Caerthe" Site is DRY

Please make plans now to come and bring your finest artworks to the Caerthen Visual & Fiber Arts & Culinary and Performing Arts Competition. This year both A&S competitions are being combined into one event. There will also be an Accessories Collegium running concurrently with the competition. If the weather is good, there will also be fighting in the church yard. A delicious German feast will be served in the evening, and a donation lunch will also be available from 12 to 1. Entries must be registered by 11 A.M. the day of the event. NO EXCEPTIONS! Any alcoholic/brewing entries will be judged at Lady Cecilia's. Classes will also start at 11. Some classes may have fees. All fees will be $5.00 or less. A tentative class list follows:

Embroidered book covers: The Honorable Lady Taryn
Hats: Maestra Beatricia
Jewelry: Lady Keturah
Tights or shoes: Master Daffyd
Pouches: Lord Frederick
Hair: The Honorable Lady Caterina
Meatcarving: Mistress Kate
Candied fruit rind: The Honorable Lady Arwen
Belts: Lord Patric
Fans: Lady Killian
Reservations for feast will now only be taken at the door.

Directions: Take your best route to I-70. Exit at Federal Blvd. Go north to 50th Ave. Go west on 50th. The church is on the north side of the street, one block past Lowell Blvd.

Autocrat and reservations: Lady Gwenhevare of Coventry, 8345 Charlotte Way, Denver, CO 80221, 303-650-1404 gwenhevare@juno.com.

Head Koch: The Honorable Lady Gwen Catrin von Berlin (Martina Grasse), (303) 703-3693, grasse@mscd.edu

Feast: This feast is based on the two meat-day banquets for kings from Marxen Rumpolt's 1582 Ein New Kochbuch. Because it is based on period meat (meaning not Fast) day fare it is rather lacking in Vegetarian options. It is therefore IMPERATIVE that anyone needing to request special accommodations contact me ASAP. Gwen Cat may be reached at grasse@mscd.edu or at 303-703-3693 between the hours of 10 am and 9 pm only please! A servant is available to take messages.

On the tables: Salads, eggs, and smoked meats.

First Course: The Small Roasts, consisting of assorted roast whole bird, appropriate sauces, root vegetables, and barley cooked in broth. (A class on carving is planned, for those desiring to learn this useful skill. Those attending may wish to bring a carving set to assist them.)

The second course: The Large Roasts, being beef and pork, with their proper accompaniments, including sausage and cabbage.

The final course will be the fruits, baked things, and comfits prepared as may please kings. This menu is tentative, subject to change at the whim of the grocer, the butcher, and the koch. A website for the Feast for Caerthes A&S in November has been created at: http://clem.mscd.edu/~grasse/GK_ASnovfeast.htm I plan to update any changes here, as well as perhaps posting recipes as they are redacted or finalized. A link to the (very rough) source material is already built into the page.

Outlands Coronation

Barony of Citadel of the Southern Pass, November 11-12, AS XXXV (2000) 11/11 site Tobin Park Methodist Church • 9410 Roanoke Drive • El Paso, TX 79924 11/12 site: Memorial Park Picnic Grounds • Copia and Copper St. • El Paso, TX 79930 Fees: Site - $6.00; Feast received by 11/1/00 - $6.00 and $9.00 at the door. Fees for children under 12 are half price. Make checks payable to "SCA - Citadel of the Southern Pass" Both sites are DRY

The Coronation of the Royal Successors to Their Royal Majesties, Kynan and Eleanor, will be celebrated in the Barony of the Citadel of the Southern Pass on November 11-12, 2000.

Saturday's events will be at Tobin Park Methodist Church; the tentative schedule is as follows:

9:00am Site Opens
9:30am Court
11:00am Queen's Champion lists open
11:00pm Lunch (tokens available for $3.00 at troll)
12:00pm- Tournament
4:00pm- Chivalry Circle
6:00pm Court
7:00pm Dinner
11:00pm Site Closes

Sunday's events will be at Memorial Park Picnic Grounds; the tentative schedule is as follows:

8:30am Site Opens
9:00am Pelican's Circle
10:00am Laurel's Circle
10:30am- Protector of the Queen's Heart List opens
11:30am- Tournament
5:00pm Site Closes

On this glorious occasion a celebration of Outlands history will be the theme. The feast will consist of past Crown favorites with requests from their Royal Highnesses. The history theme will also be part of the Kingdom fundraiser, as well as a silent auction. A competition for Kingdom Promissory AoA Scrolls will be held. At the pleasure of Her Royal Highness Vanna, the Protector of the Queens Heart and the Queens Champion tournaments will be held.

Directions to Saturday Tournament Site: From I-10 East or West take the US 54 Highway (exit 22 B) North toward Alamogordo to the Diana exit. Take the Diana exit and turn right (east) on Diana to Dyer. Turn left (north) on Dyer to Wren. Wren is the next light so get over immediately. Turn right (east) on Wren to Roanoke. The church is on the left side of the intersection. Parking is in the front.

Directions to Sunday Tournament Site: From I-10 take the Copia St. (exit 22 A) North. Take Copia to Copper (directly past the railroad bridge); turn left (west) on Copper. The site is on the left. Parking is along Copper.

Autocrat: Baroness Claudia Senatori (Claudia Swain), 10512 Fernridge, El Paso, TX 79935, (915) 595-0643, claudiaswain@hotmail.com

Head Cook: The Honorable Lady Leah de Montgomerie (Amy Conrad), 10704 Fury, El Paso, TX 79936, (915) 592-5498, conrad@elpasonet.net

Reservations/Crash Space: Viscountess Bahiyya (Becky Boetto), 6013 Alcalde St., El Paso, TX 79912, (915) 585-3155, boetto_b@msn.com

Caer Galen Monthly Revel: Brewing

Site is WET
November 17 7 to 10pm at the home of Lady Kiara Loftus and Lord Warner Michaleson 8786 Niwot Rd

We will be making at least one mead, perhaps more depending on time and group size. There will be mead to taste. If you brew please bring some samples for everyone to taste. Some crash space is available. Please plan on pot luck for dinner, bring a dish or dessert to share. If it isn't too cold out we will have the grill going. Since we will be doing some work, please wear comfortable clothes.

NOTE: If you are under 21 you will not be permitted to taste or handle the alcoholic brews. If the autocrat or seneschal thinks you are under 21 your ID will be checked.

Directions:

From the North: Take your best route to Hwy 287 South. Take 287 South to Niwot Rd. Turn West (right) on Niwot Rd. travel approximately 2.2 miles West to 8786 Niwot Rd. Ranch style brown brick with white trim and a 3 car garage. My device will be visible.

From the South: Take your best route to Foothill Parkway going North. Go North on Foothills to Niwot Rd. Turn East (right) onto Niwot Rd. Drive 1 mile East on Niwot Rd it is the second house on your right past Walker Road (a stop light). See directions from the North for description of house.

If you have questions please call 303-652-8092 or email lost@village.org

Autocrat: Lady Kiara Loftus mka Therese Hofheins-Losh 8786 Niwot Rd 303-652-8092 lost@village.org

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TOYS FOR TOTS - CAERTHE

The Barony of Caerthe, November 19, A.S. XXXV (2000). Site opens at 10 a.m. and closes at 5 p.m. Jefferson County Fairgrounds - Livestock Arena 15200 W. 6th Ave. Golden, CO Fee: 1 new unwrapped toy per person Site is Dry

This year's Toys for Tots Tournament will be a Tournament of the Roses. All warriors should bring with them a consort to whom a rose will be given after each won bout. A light lunch will be provided of stews and soups. A donation will be requested for the lunch with the proceeds going to Toys for Tots for the purchase of additional toys. There will be a Toys for Tots Boffer Tournament, an A&S display, fencing and heavy weapons tournaments, with champions in all four areas. All artisans are encouraged to bring their works to display. The list for Toys for Tots will open at 11 a.m.

Directions: Make your best route to 6th Ave. and Indiana St. South on Indiana. The Fairgrounds is located on the west side of Indiana, one block south of the 6th Ave. Overpass.

Autocrats: Patric and Mary of Blakthorn, 7560 W. Coal Mine Ave., Littleton, CO 80128. 303 933-0031 E-mail: p.thornton@worldnet.att.net

Court of Love II

Come and join the fine barony of Caerthe for fighting, flirting, fun and more flirting. The tourneys will provide a chance for consorts to actively affect the outcome of a fight not just sit by the sidelines bored. In the evening there will be a feast, dancing and a cout of love. Now is the chance to find redress for any slights given to you from a loved one. The site is damp. Showers are avalible on site. Site and Feast will be $12. There will be vegetarian options available. Please contact the autocract for reservation and dietary restrictions. Also if you need crash space the autocrat can help find some for you.

Directions to the site: Take your best route to Denver, CO. From I-25 exit I-225 NORTH Merge onto I-225 NORTH RAMP Take I-225 aprox. 9.1 Mi. to the US-40/US-287/COLFAX AVENUE exit LEFT onto E COLFAX AVE/US-40 W. Proceed West on Colfax Avenue to the interseotion of Colfax and Potomac. The Fitzsimmons Park and Ride is located at this intersection. Turn right onto Potomac and proceed North. You will turn left onto 17th Place. If you cross the bridge and head into the trailer park you have gone too far. Proceed West on 17th Place until you come to your first traffic light. Turn left onto Wheeler and proceed South to the chain link fenced area on the left. Turn left into the parking lot and find a place to park.

If you have any further questions please contact the autocrat.

Autocrat information: Diana of the Tulips mka Diana Bristol 303-403-0146 e-mail-DianaTulips@yahoo.com

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Baronial Yule
December 1, 2000

Baronial Yule is only a month away. Remember, this event is a Friday night. As always, this will be a brass bowl and potluck affair. Please wear garb. Bring your feast gear, liquid refreshment (dry site) and candles. Table cloths will be provided. The site will be at the home of one of our newest members. And a lovely place it is.

Address: 1901 East 47th Avenue (northeast corner).

Site Restrictions and Amenities: The site is a private residence. There are three cats in residence; therefore absolutely no pets or animals of any kind are allowed at this site. The site is **very dry.** There is no wheelchair access. Off street parking only. There are three bathrooms and two sitting areas. Smoking is allowed outside in the back only. Chairs and covering will be provided for the smokers.

Entertainment: The Much Ado singers and backup will lend their voices to this evening of pleasant revelry. THL Marguerite will also sing for us. There will be a few simple games to pass the time. Prizes will be awarded for the games and for the best red and green outfit. THL Roland has graciously agreed to conduct the ornament exchange. If you wish to participate, please purchase an ornament of about $5.00 and wrap it. Wrapping adds to the fun.

Directions: Take I-25 to I-70 and go east on I-70. Take the Brighton Boulevard Exit (you will see the Denver Coliseum at this exit). At the bottom of the ramp, turn left, going under the overpass. (The construction at this intersection is ugly, but should not deter you.) Go on block to 47th Ave. There is a 7-11 on the left,. An SCA sign will be on the right hand corner. Turn right at 47th Avenue and go two blocks to High Street. The library/house in on the northeast corner. There will be an SCA sign and tiki torches in front of the house. If you get lost, **for directions only:** call Barbara 303-296-7673.

Anyone wishing to help decorate or cleanup, please let me know. I will be at the site in the early afternoon to prepare the room for your enjoyment.

Autocrat: Lady Killian MacKenzie. 303-773-9596.

Hunter's Feast

Shire of Windkeep, December 2, AS XXXV (2000) Site Opens at noon • Site Close at 11:00 p.m. • 1200 East College Drive • Cheyenne, WY 82007 Fees: Adult, $10.00; ages 6 - 12, $5.00; under 6, free; Family cap, $30.00 Make checks payable to "SCA-Windkeep" Site is DRY

The harvest has ended, the hunters are home, and Yuletide is fast approaching. The Shire of Windkeep asks all who will to pause with them to reflect upon the world and join them in a Hunter's Feast. The event is limited to the first 175 paid reservations, and alcohol is not permitted anywhere on campus. Crash space is available, as well as discounts motel reservations. Contact the Event Steward for information.

If we are blessed with clear weather during the day, there will be heavy and light weapons pick-up fighting and other outdoor games as devised by those attending. Indoors there will be good fellowship, dancing, and whatever games as can be devised. A bardic competition will be held during the feast, as in past years, with a gift of silver to the best entertainer. Sign-up sheets will be available at the troll. Throughout the day there will be an informal competition for best hunters theme (garb/table setting/banner) to be arbitrarily judged by the kitchen staff.

There will be a soup and bread donation lunch from about 1 p.m. till about 2 p.m. The main feast will start about 6 p.m. If the Crown attends, and so wishes, court will be held. The feast will consist of the bounty of the land, and whatever the Hunters and Gatherers of our fair land provide. This is a meat intensive feast. If you are vegetarian, or have food allergies, or aversions, please contact the cook, who will prepare dishes suited to your tastes.

For availability of reservations after Nov. 15, contact the cook. Mail your reservations to the Event Steward, with checks made to SCA-Windkeep. Please include legal name, society name, and address; phone number membership number, and local group on your check. Include a list with all of the above information if you are paying for others.

If you would like to help clean up or serve, please contact the cook. Merchanting is allowed in the hall before the feast, but must be coordinated in advance.

Directions: Take I-25 to the College turn off. Proceed east approximately 5 miles to the Laramie County Community College. Parking and entrance to the site is on the north side of the campus. (there will be signs)

Event Steward: Syr Rhys Afalwin (Larry Hammons), 10700 Ranch Rd, Cheyenne, WY 82009, (307) 632-1133, MasterRhys@aol.com

Cook: Mistress Aldyth Trefaldwyn, (Debbie Hammons), 10700 Ranch Rd, Cheyenne, WY 82009, (307) 632-1133, Aldyth@aol.com

Midwinter

Shire of Caer Galen, December 9, AS XXXV (2000) Site opens 10:00a, Closes 10:00p Broomfield Baptist Church • Broomfield, CO 80020 Fees: Site – $5.00; Feast – $7.00 Make checks payable to "SCA - Caer Galen" Site is DRY; no smoking

The Doge invites you to don your best Italian, Middle Eastern or a creative combination of the two in the colors/and or feathers of the peacock and join the citizens of Caer Galen for their Mid Winter celebration. Compete in the fencing tournament for Captain of the Guard, sample culinary delights of the Middle East prepared by The Honorable Lady Maredudd & enjoy the Middle Eastern and Italian dancing in an atmosphere straight out of 1001 Arabian Nights (Italian style). Did I mention the Worlde famous Caer Galen musical chairs? And as always, the selection of the newest Harp of Caer Galen by vote of the citizens of the Shire.

There will be contests for the best use of peacock feathers, best Western male and female garb, Italian/Persian combo and Persian in peacock colors.

Menu: Feta cheese, Olives, White sals (walnut dip), Pita Bread, Mishmishya (Meat stew with fruit), Cooked dish of lentils (vegetarian), Barmakiyya (spiced chicken pies), Oranges (dressed in cinnamon and rosewater), Buran (meatballs in a yogurt and eggplant dip), Pita bread, Zirbaya (chicken in a sweet sauce), Isfanakh Mutajjan (spinach in garlic), fruited rice, Dried fruits, Nuts, Hais (date kabobs), Khush Kananaj (almond cake), Cheese and flour cake.

Those interested in helping with troll, set-up and clean-up may contact Mistress Sadhbh. For information about the Captain of the Guard Tournament, contact Don Maddoch.

Directions: From 287- Take 287 East(becomes 120th)Turn left on Emerald St. Church is on the corner of 1st and Emerald. From I-25 - Take 120th Street West to Broomfield and turn right on Emerald St.

Autocrat: Maestra Beatricia Mercante (Linda Haffner), 1151 Dover Way Broomfield, CO 80020, 303 460 8189 (no calls after 9:00 pm),

Caerthen 12th Night

Theme: 1001 Viking Odyssey Sponsoring Group: Barony of Caerthe Date: January 6, 2001 Site: Adams County Fairgrounds 450 South 4th Avenue Brighton, CO 80601 Site Opens at 9 a.m., closes at 11 p.m. **The site is DRY. NO mundane containers, at all.**

The men are home from the raids. Guests have traveled many miles. The longhouse is filled with warmth as we all share stories and play games on this long winter night. All this to celebrate a Viking 12th Night in the year 1001, called a Viking Odysey.

Come share the warmth and fun. There will be games to include a Hnefetafl (many versions) and backgammon tournament. There will be a Viking knowledge test, Sagas, storytelling, singing with Viking theme riddles, and many prizes. There will be childrens games as well.

In the way of the Viking, there will be challenges to test the physical attributes of the warriors (must keep in shape for those raids). There will be arm wrestling, Hunker-Hausen, broad jump competitions (both backwards and forwards). There will be team games like tug of war and KnatteikR (bring a hockey stick), and much, much, more. Lord Thorvaldr has outdone himself planning our entertainment.

To the poets of the realm, there will be a Skaldic Poetry competition. Please prepare!
There will competitions on the best female and male garb. A prize to the one who traveled the farthest to share this Viking Yule with us.

The sumptious feast will be prepared by Mistress Aldyth and will consist of barley and herb soup, baked pork loin wrapped in pastry with honey and plums, chicken in a cream sauce, cabbage, turnips, carrots and spinach for veggies, for dessert a hazelnut custard, sour cherry tart, and poached apples. All this along with Viking breads served in ONE remove.

Merchants are welcome! Contact Lady Killiam McKenzie at 303-773-9596 to coordinate space.

Prices
Before November 30th Feast and site $15 per person, $50 cap on family of 4.
After November 30th, $17, $60 on family of 4.
Off-board, $6.
Make checks payable to SCA Caerthe.

Autocrat: Jorunn nic Lochlainn, 303-796-8353, jorunn@qadas.com
Reservations: Katrein di Adlerin 303-360-8796, walflower@uswest.net
Special Food considerations: Mistress Aldyth 307-632-1133
Directions: Take your best route to I-25 just north of Denver. Exit east on 120th ave. Continue to Colorado and go north until you reach 128th Ave. Go East on 128th for 3 miles. Take a right when the you reach a T intersection. There will be signs for Adams County Fairgrounds and SCA from there, but in case you miss them. Continue to the next stop sign and take a left. The Fairgrounds will be on your left. Find the Round building and you will be there.

Baronial A&S - Unser Hafen

Barony of Unser Hafen, January 20, AS XXXV (2001) Site Opens at 11:00a • Site Closes at 11:00p Foothills Unitarian Church • 1815 Yorktown Ave • Fort Collins, CO 80525 Site tentative Fees: To be announced Make checks payable to "SCA - Unser Hafen" Site is DRY

Come one and all to Unser Hafen's Arts and Sciences Competition and Collegium! This will be a fun event for all; there will be classes and competitions, a donation lunch, an excellent feast and lots of dancing! Designed as a cool site, you can bring all your winter garb and you will actually be warm and comfortable, instead of hot and, well, not comfortable.

Autocrat: Lady Rossilin von Hohenzollern (Shannon Moyes-Clark), 1500 W. Prospect, Fort Collins, CO 80526, (970) 221-0850, shannonm@fc.hp.com

Feast Coordinator: Lady Arianrod ni Conchobhar, (970) 663-1060

Candlemas

Barony of Dragonsspine, February 3, AS XXXV (2001) Site Opens at 11:00a • Site Closes at 11:00p Odd Fellow Hall • 575 S. Union St. • Colorado Springs, CO 80910 Fees: Site – $5/person, $3 for children 6 – 11, children 5 & under are free. Feast – $10/person, $5 for children 6 – 11, 5 & under are free. Prior to January 12, feast will be offered at a discounted rate: $7/person, $3.50/child age 6 – 11, 5 & under are free. Family Cap:Site Only: $15 Site & Feast: Prior to Jan 12: $36 / Jan 13 – 26: $45 Make checks payable to "SCA - Dragonsspine" Site is DRY

The Barony of Dragonsspine invites you to join us in celebrating Candlemas!

Important Feast Information: Reservations made by January 12 will receive the discounted rate of $7/person, $3.50/child age 6 – 11, 5 & under are free. Reservations made between January 13 and January 26: $10/person, $5/child age 6 – 11, 5 & under are free. ALL paid feast reservations must be in no later than Friday, January 26. After this date, feast will NOT be available. Please include SCA name(s), mundane name(s), and a contact e-mail or phone number with your reservation. If you have any special dietary needs, please include this request with your reservation, or contact the Feast Autocrat.

Directions: Take I-25 to Colorado Springs. Take exit 141, Bijou St. Head east towards downtown. At the first stoplight, turn right (on Cascade). Go down two blocks and turn left onto Colorado Ave. This will become Pike's Peak after several blocks. Memorial Park will be on your right. Continue to Union Blvd., turn right (at the far end of the park.) Take Union Blvd. to the end of the park, at Eastlake Blvd. Turn left into the IOOF (Odd Fellow) Hall at 575 S. Union, just before you get to Eastlake.

Autocrat & Feast Reservations: Lady Karina Dobrogneva (Stacey Moore), 2527 Meadowlark Lane, Colorado Springs, CO 80909, (719) 630-7576; i.write@iname.com

Co-Autocrat: Mistress Catriona nicAiodh (Katina Wilson), (719)520-9705; kkwilson@scip.net

Feast Autocrat: The Honorable Lady Tatiana, (Robin Monogue), (719) 532-1686; tatiana@rialto.org

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Schola Metallorum

(Incipient College)

The College of Schola Metallorum is another subsidiary branch of the Barony and is associated with the Colorado School of Mines in Golden. The Schola Metallorum office phone is 303-384-2194.

Populace meetings: held every 2 weeks. Call the Senescal for details.

Fighter practice: Tuesdays at 6:00pm at Kafadar Commons (good weather) or Mines Fieldhouse (poor weather).

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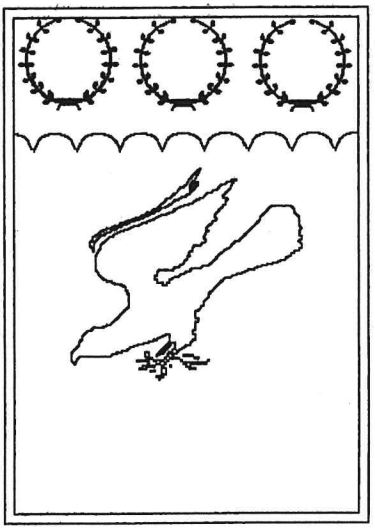

Canton of Hawk's Hollow

The Canton of Hawk's Hollow is a subsidiary branch of the Barony of Caerthe located in the northern metropolitan area including the cities of Westminster, Thornton, Northglenn, and Commerce City.

Populace meetings are held at the Friendly Village of the Rockies Clubhouse at 7:30 PM on the first Friday of the month. To get to this site take your best route to I-25 and Thornton Parkway (92nd Ave). Go west on Thornton Parkway, then north on Pecos to 100th Ave. Head west, taking your first left (Elbert) and you will see the clubhouse in front of you.

Fighter Practice: Contact Lord Eoin (listed below) for more information.

Archery: Contact Lady Meadhbh (listed below) for more information.

Scottish Gaming: Contact Lord Ivan MacOrin (listed on Caerthan officer's page) for more information.

All are encouraged to participate! Since all practices are in a public place, the wearing of garb is very much appreciated.

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Barony of Caerthe

Meetings, Practices, Guilds & Miscellany

BUSINESS MEETINGS (Open to all populace)

7:00 to 9:00 pm - After June, meetings will be on the last Monday of each month at the Virginia Village Library, 1500 S. Dahlia in Denver. Contact Mistress Meghan at 303-727-9709. Directions: Make your best way to I-25. Take the Colorado Blvd. exit. Go north on Colorado Blvd. until you reach Florida. Turn east on Florida and proceed to Dahlia. The library is at the corner of Florida and Dahlia.

FIGHTER PRACTICE

Heavy and Light Weapons: Take your best route to the intersection of I-225 and Colfax Ave. Proceed West on Colfax to the intersection of Colfax and Potomac. The Fitzsimmons Park and Ride is located at this intersection. Turn right onto Potomac and proceed North. You will turn left onto 17th Place. If you cross the bridge and head into the trailer park you have gone too far. Proceed West on 17th Pl. until you come to your first traffic light. Turn left onto Wheeler and proceed South to the chain link fenced area on the left. Turn left into the parking lot and find a place to park. Contact Jester: (303) 399-1229.

Archery: Contact Lord Eric Morrison of Thistlekeep at 303-452-0717

Scottish Gaming: Contact Lord Ivan MacOrin at 303-940-0104.

GUILDS, CLASSES, MEETINGS

Brewer's Guild: The first Sunday of every month (unless otherwise noted due to an event) beginning at noon, at the home of Lady Stasia (Christy Korin). Please call for directions, 303-940-0104.

Calligrapher's, Illuminator's & Illustrator's Guild: 2nd &3rd Mondays, 7:00pm. 15912 East Lehigh Circle. Contact THLady Arwen (Sheila McClune) at 303-756-7040, arwen@caerthe.org

Cook's Guild: Contact Mistress Katherine Holford (Marie Heuser) at 303-322-1907. 910 Milwaukee St., Denver.

Dancing Classes: Site varies. Garb is encouraged. Contact THLady Arwen (Sheila McClune) 303-756-7040 or THLady Wyndylyn (Jean Hortman) 303-680-1583 for information.

Drumming Classes: 2nd & 4th Tuesdays. 7134 Quay Cir., Arvada. For info or directions, call Sir James (James Messerich) at 303-940-8157 or email at jmesser@usgs.gov.

Jewelry Guild: 4th Sundays. Contact Lady Keturah (Deby Solomon) 303-368-8465.

Lampworker's Guild: Workshops, Tuesday evenings, 7 until 9 p.m at 4500 S. Monaco, garage #2307, Denver. Contact THL Jorunn (Cathie Brailey) 303-796-8353, jorunn@qadas.com for more information.

Pins and Needles Sewing & Research Group: 4665 Williams, Denver, CO. Call Mistress Giselle (Janice Clow) @ 303-292-3360, for directions and for days. The meetings will be on an as wanted basis. Questions? Write me at jsclow98722@aol.com or call me as above.

Milliner's/Costumer's Guild: Contact Mistress Beatricia (Linda Haffner) at 303-460-8189 for directions and meeting times.

Medieval Calligraphy and Related Arts: For information on classes call Lady Killian (Dawn Whitacre) at 303-773-9596.

Super Basic Sewing: 4th Sundays, 1 to 6 p.m. at THL Wyndylyn's (Jean Hortman), 15912 Lehigh Circle, Aurora. Call 303-6801583 for directions.

Baronial Scriptorium: 3rd Sundays, 2 to 5 p.m. at THL Wyndylyn's (Jean Hortman), 15912 Lehigh Circle, Aurora. Call 303-680-1583 for directions.

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